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"Whimp'ring Younglings"

It has long been the peculiar province of eccentrics and adolescents to pose as "agin the government." The pedagogue, the disaffected, the bilious, runs to everything that is negative, critical and bitter; the doctrinaire, the young, to everything that is idealistic, sentimental and illusive; and both unite in opposing all established order, whatever that order might be. In the modern age, and in our Colleges, this twin deformity is dignified with the name of Socialism (as though it had a monopoly of social consciousness); a barbarous philosophy expressing the mental cancer of the old, the measles of the young. It is the very preciousness of this carpet communism, combined with the natural good humour of the English people, which has accounted in the past for the extremely tolerant attitude adopted towards it by the government. For, in the State, as in the family, it is often politic, up to a point, to allow sufficient liberty to the pseudo intellectual charlatan, as to the naughty child, to enable him to make himself so ridiculous as to be laughed out of court.

Liberty, however, is so very nearly allied to licence that ceaseless vigilance and irresistible authority are necessary to prevent the one degenerating into the other. It is the slackening of this vigilance, the weakening of this authority, which to-day, should give great cause for anxiety. Just as in the home and the school, there is now the pernicious system of free discipline which is no discipline; so in politics, the State in its relation with our Colleges appears less like a wise father than a doddering old grandmother who has lost control over her ungrateful charges. The evil results of this pampering policy exist and daily increase, in this College in particular. There is no clearer indication of it than the ever-growing demand for further rights, and a refusal to realise that rights presuppose equal duties. The student accepts without question the many privileges offered by the State: the general privilege of personal protection by the police; the judiciary and the armed forces; the privilege of political freedom, and constitutional government; the privilege of the alleged equality of the sexes; the privilege of financial maintenance by the State for four years; and above all, the privilege learnt at the feet of certain ineffectual personages whose sense of propriety should teach them better—the privilege of sneering at the country and the government which give them all these things. But how often do we hear of the duties incumbent upon him as a member of the State? How often do the College Socialists speak of the duty of work, the duty of political obedience, the duty of conformity to accepted standards of social conduct? We find that they, the snobs of the sans-culottes, the selfish philanthropists, the anti-social Socialists, are too lofty to give anything but their demands for more.

It is in the prime duty of national defence that their ingratitude is most obvious and most shameful. National existence is possible only when based upon the reciprocal obligations of the state and the citizen. The State has the duty of protecting its members from aggression; it must, therefore, have the right to call upon its members for support. The Individual has the right to expect protection from the State; he must, therefore, have the duty of aiding the State in its task. The stock Socialist argument, that the State is merely the sum total of the people, expressing their desires, does not invalidate but only strengthens this formula; for the State becomes simply the expression of man's primary instinct and duty of self-defence. In the face of this plain duty the Socialists take refuge in the most ridiculous contradictions. They mouth thunderous platitudes about the desire for peace, or Utopian catchwords about International Order; but these phrases do not hide their moral and physical cowardice. They clamour for armed action against Covenant-breaking countries; but they do all in their power to weaken the forces which could make such action successful. They think to defend a foreign country because it has given better conditions to its proletariat; but they refuse to defend their own country which gives the best in the world. And they claim to be too proud to fight; but they are not too proud to accept privileges which have had to be fought for, and they may have to be again. It is contradictions such as these, typical of the mental sterility of the Socialists, that have brought this College into contempt, not in Southampton only, but in the country generally. It is time that they realised how sickening are these half-digested personalities, and had done with them. And if they will not be persuaded, then it is time they were compelled.

J. W. A.

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WESSEX NEWS

Tuesday, December 1st, 1936.

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Editorial.

Some weeks ago, we started "counting our blessings" in the way of pleasant surroundings, and we also published a letter praising the Refectory. As the intervening weeks have been filled with complaint, it seems time for a little more expression of gratitude. How many people ever pause to think of the immense amount of sleep it is possible to enjoy here? To the cynic, "sleep" suggests lecture rooms and the Library, but actually sleep is a far more important matter than what goes on in these places. Certain wholehearted persons are said to go to bed directly they reach Hall of an afternoon. This may be excessive, but it shows the right spirit. After tea, a pleasant drowsiness may be felt, and here again the diligent student will not fail to seize his opportunity. The strange thing is that people do not attempt to go to bed at the proper time, but continue to tramp and rage about far into the night. The modern career for speed can be fully indulged in next morning, as washing, shaving (?) and dressing are accomplished with difficulty in three minutes.

To awaken, thinking it to be Monday and then to realise that it is Sunday, with a little longer in bed, is one of the great joys of College life. But, Oh! the bitter disappointment when what seemed to be Sunday turns out to be Monday!

Last week we referred to the foundation of new Societies here, but omitted that of the Cosmopolitan Club, which is of wider scope than any of the others.

At the beginning of last Session we obtained something of which we had long felt the need—a Joint Common Room. It seems very regrettable that, having obtained such a room, we misuse it as we do.

The Common Rooms Committee looks for the co-operation of all students in keeping the Common Rooms decent, and asks people to refrain from throwing cigarette ends on the floor, tearing periodicals to pieces, scribbling remarks in magazines and throwing oranges at one another—in short, to realise that it is in the students' own interests to look after their Common Rooms.

1. The Editor is not responsible for the views expressed in signed articles.

2. Correspondents are asked to make their letters as brief and to the point as possible.

3. The Editor regrets that, owing to lack of space, it is impossible to print all the letters which they have a genuine news value.

Distinguished Gathering

It is well perhaps that, at a time when both dramatic societies in College are receiving more than their fair share of criticism, that the Stage Society should produce a murder play, "Distinguished Gathering," by James Parish, which will remove much of that criticism. The Society must be congratulated. The audiences on Friday and Saturday saw a good play well produced and well acted. True, minor faults were obvious, the difficulties of age and hall were again much to the fore. Perhaps the first thing that struck one who is familiar with College productions was the changed and very attractive setting. Messrs. Wickens and Jaggar certainly must be congratulated on their clever work.

Chief acting honours go to A. Aspin, Grace Barr, A. R. Brown and Dido Read.

Mr. Aspin's performance was very convincing. He might have made more of the discovery that it was Judith who killed Vines, and he must not be excused calling Williams a "wild-fower." His accent was at first disconcerting, but he overcame it by his poise and confidence. Grace Barr, as usual, put up a very good performance as Judith, his wife. I am afraid however, that quite a lot of her dialogue did not reach all the audience.

A. R. Brown, as Williams, was much better in the second performance. His quiet bearing in Act I, his confiding with Judith and his dramatic exit gave him great scope for his obvious abilities. An excellent performance. Dido Read was excellent as Mrs. Caswell. Miss Read, I think, sobbed a little too much on Saturday, at least once she focussed attention upon herself during the dialogue of others. On the whole, Miss Read came very near to giving the best performance of the evening. Irene Foster, 'who didn't exist', was certainly a very convincing optical illusion. The part did not give her much scope, yet in Act I, she proved herself a very able actress. G. A. Emery was surprisingly good as Det-Inspector Rutherford, his words were clear and his obvious mannerisms did not detract from his performance. He had evidently worked very hard at his part. Lady Thalia, played by Betty Stallard, was a colourless part given colour by Miss Stallard's poise and personality. Her declaration of love was ten times more convincing on Saturday. Experience, even a day, is useful. It seemed a great pity to me that Vines was not more obviously a man of the world. C. P. Cook was suave and sneering enough, yet I fail to see how his stiffness improved his characterisation. After 9 people plotting to kill him, I thought Vines rather an anti-climax. Perhaps my view is biased after seeing another "Vines" on the professional stage.

Sir Brian, played by R. K. Wood, was a very attractive character. Mr. Wood was good only when he was in a position in which he could prop himself up, either by the bookcase or the mantelpiece. He conveyed rather well, the casual, disillusioned and lost 'man'. The "Razak" was quite unnecessary. H. L. Poulter was very good as the Major. Here, of course, age was a handicap, but except for occasions when it appeared he was stifling his laughter, he was extremely good. Miss Scott as Caroline Beckwith, was not good. She was not suited to her part, her gestures were repeated too often, and she looked far too school-girlish to be even a member of the Fallen Women's Aid Society, let alone its Founder. Blair, the Butler, was played by J. Pay. With the utmost deference to Mr. Pay's acting abilities, I did not at all agree with his interpretation of the part. I should like to see Mr. Pay in a fatter part, an 'Admirable Crichton' perhaps, but I'm afraid that, although extremely funny, his actions were not really necessary in such a part. G. H. G. Campbell must receive a like criticism. To me, Mr. Campbell was the Village Constable, certainly not a Detective-Sergeant. Again, the burlesque was not necessary. A. R. Wife received well deserved cheers when it was heard that he had helped arrest Miss Gest on the steps at Goodge Street.

The lighting and black-out was under Mr. H. W. Silcock's able charge.

Mr. D. B. Barker, the producer, must be congratulated on a first-rate show. It was a much easier play to produce than "The Moon in the Yellow River" of last year, but his production was obviously good. His groupings of such a large cast was excellent.

R.T.K.

Belton attained manhood last week, and the occasion proved too much for him.

Political Club

At a meeting of the Political Club on Monday morning, November 29th, Mlle. Laboulaye gave an address on Belgian Politics. In her extraordinarily interesting talk, she gave us a comprehensive survey of the various political parties in Belgium. She dealt, however, in greatest detail with the new Rexist party, with its plain leanings to Fascism, and which, although it may have no ordered plan or programme, does seem to be gaining a good deal of support. She gives us a clear idea of how Britain holds the key to Belgian foreign policy. Belgium, she said, dare not support France unless she is certain that British opinion is definitely and strongly moving in the same direction. If Great Britain, on the other hand, stands aloof from France, Belgium might be drawn, more through fear than love, towards an alliance with Germany.

Scout Group

On Friday, December 4th, a preliminary meeting of the College Scout Troop is to be held. This Troop will be affiliated to and run by the Rover Crew, the two units henceforth, comprising a College Scout Group. The formation of this Troop represents an undertaking of which few University Rover Crews can boast. Oxford University run a Troop for boys who could not ordinarily afford to belong, by providing all their uniform for them, and it was originally hoped that we might do something on these lines. The uncertainty of raising the necessary funds which would be considerable from year to year has precluded this scheme.

The Troop will be run in the ordinary way as an Open one, although we have, in the first place, approached Taunton School for providing the majority of boys. T. B. F. Norris will be Group Scoutmaster and three Rovers proposed to apply for warrants as A.S.M.s.

Until now, a few Rovers have helped with Troops in the town without taking out warrants, but with our own Troop, the whole Crew will assist the G.S.M. in its management, and we hope thus to render some more permanent contribution to Scouting in Southampton than has previously been possible in our case. Although we cannot follow the ambitious example of Oxford Rovers, we shall try to help to buy uniform in necessitous cases. Primarily, funds are needed for the initial equipment of the Troop and donations will be particularly welcome. It is proposed to form a Group Committee of interested persons in the near future.

We are grateful to our R.S.L., Professor Cock, and to Mr. F. J. Hemmings, of Taunton's School, for helping us to get the boys.

J. M. TAYLOR,
 Group Secretary.

Debate

The debate held at Highfield Hall last Tuesday, on the occasion of the visit of the German debating team, was well attended, and in the opinion of the Chairman, Miss Stallard, was the best debate of the season. The motion was "That Women's Position in Germany is the most Natural." There was little to choose between the four main speakers, all of whom spoke well and very convincingly. Several theories were put forward as to the why and wherefore of woman's existence, but Highfield took them all quite calmly. Speeches from the floor were not very frequent or fiery, and, strange to say, Soviet Russia was hardly mentioned. Serious thought and humour were admirably combined all the evening. The motion was lost, fifty-odd to twenty-odd, but was voted to the preponderance of women. Almost all the men voted for the motion, and if they had been more numerous, the proposition would have won easily.

ATHLETIC UNION.

RUGGER SUCCESSES CONTINUE

CROSS COUNTRY DEFEAT GOLDSMITHS

CROSS COUNTRY v. GOLDSMITHS.

Another splendid "team-effort."

26th November, 1936.

The C.C.C. won a close and thrilling race against Goldsmiths' by 50 points to 38. Newton-Smith who had been in London all the week for exams., came straight from his practical on Saturday morning, to run for College, although wearied by his week's ordeal, which we sincerely hope will not be in vain.

At the start, Fowles set a cracking pace, followed closely by Lawrence. Newton-Smith and Moore gradually closed in on the leaders, and a mile from the start, these four were a hundred yards ahead.

Newton-Smith hung on to Fowles, who was joined by Woolen, of Goldsmiths', at the end of the first lap. Running through new housing estates, Fowles and Woolen drew away from Newton-Smith, who was obviously feeling the effects of his strenuous week, and tied for first place, with Newton-Smith gaining third place. Lawrence, who ought by now, to know better, again lost a few valuable seconds by straying from the track, allowing Curry to slip in between him and Moore, and was unable to make up the leeway. Curry and Moore were level for the last half mile, but Moore was able to beat Curry in the sprint for fourth place, Lawrence gaining sixth, and Burroughs seventh places. The College pack again won the match for the team, by getting the ninth, tenth and eleventh places.

Next Saturday, College entertain Goldsmiths' in the return fixture, together with Winchester Harriers, in what promises to be a very exciting run.

RUGGER

1st XV v. Isle of Wight (Home).

Saturday, November 28th.

In a very keenly contested game the Rugby team beat the I.O.W. by 4 pts.—0, as a result of an excellent drop-goal by the full-back, A. Wife. During the first half, play was even, neither side having much advantage in ground. The I.O.W., if anything, had a better supply of the ball from the scrums, but their backs could make little headway and there was no score. Right from the start of the second half, College set up a strong attack. The forwards were now playing very well indeed, and monopolised nearly all the scrums. Consequently, the College outsidess pressed very hard, but, though several times a try looked inevitable, the I.O.W.

defence held firm. It was not until ten minutes from the end that College took a well-deserved lead. A. Wife gathered a faulty kick to touch by the opposing full-back, ran towards the centre of the field and dropped a goal from 35 yards out.

Wednesday, Dec. 2nd.
1st XV v. R.A.F. Boscombe

Down (away).
Saturday, Dec. 5th.

1st XV v. R.A.F. Lee-on-Solent (away).

1st XV v. 4th A.A. Brigade, R.A., at Portsmouth.

Wednesday, November 25th.

After Saturday's strenuous game against Exeter, the College were relieved to find a much weaker team opposed to them in this match. Their opponents had little Rugby knowledge, but neither had the referee, so the game was, of necessity, very ragged. College built up a lead of 18 points in the first half by three tries (Moir 2, Newman 1), two of which were converted. In the second half, they were content to "go easy" and avoid injury from very wild attacks. The result was that their lead was reduced by an unconverted try.

Final Score U.C.S. 13 pts.
4th A.A. Brigade, 3 pts.

SOCCER STILL DISAPPOINTING.

A.F.C. v. Taunton's School

On Wednesday last, College met Taunton's School at Taunton's, and lost by two goals to one. Play, at first, was very keen but neither side showed any advantage. Taunton's showed more keenness and method, and on two occasions came very near to scoring. Tackling was often robust and play was slow and to the end. After about half-an-hour, Ashworth put Eden through and the winger went on to score, and so gave College the lead.

In the second half, Taunton's fought hard for an equaliser, but they could not get through. College were less seldom in the picture; it was just a case of how long Taunton's would be before they scored. Play was very scrappy and disjointed. Eventually Taunton's equalised, and, just before the end, they scored the winning goal, following a bad defensive clearance. Taunton's had a good centre-forward in Dowding, and College were best served by Cowling and Ashworth.

A.F.C. v. South Hants Nomads.

College entertained South Hants Nomads on Saturday, and lost a hard game by five goals to three. From the kick-off, the visitors attacked the College goal.

Their efforts were rewarded when they opened the scoring within a few minutes of the kick-off. U.C.S. fought back, and some very good football was seen. The play was exceedingly fast and tackling keen. College then drew level through Pettit who scored from a pass by Ashworth. Soon afterwards, South Hants went ahead again, their outside-right sending in a shot which entered the net just inside the post. Wallace was playing brilliant football on the home left wing, and from one of his centres, Eden equalised for College.

In the second half, play was not so good. South Hants soon scored their third goal, but, after long periods of attacking, College equalised through Eden, who scored a lovely goal. Wallace centred and running in, Eden headed into the net. It now looked as if the game would end in a draw, but in the closing stages, South Hants ran through and scored two more goals.

The College defence was very uncertain, and the attack lacked incisiveness, apart from the wing-men.

WOMEN'S BOAT CLUB.

We wish to acknowledge further contributions to the Women's Boat Club, and to express our thanks to the donors. The following are additions to the list:—

Prof. Sherriffs ...	10	0
Prof. Betts ...	5	0
Miss Hamilton ...	5	0
Mr. Grange-Turner ...	2	6
Prof. Lyttell ...	5	0
Miss Hales ...	5	0
Miss Ricks ...	5	0

WOMEN'S HOCKEY.

1st XI v. Newport Vics.

For the first quarter of an hour, College played up well and it appeared that at last the forward line had managed to acquire that "dash" which hitherto they have lacked. During this time, College established a lead of 1 goal to nil. Immediately after this goal, however, the forward line lost all sense of combination, and were definitely five individuals. By half-time, College were down 1—3.

In the second half, the forwards hardly even "got going"—the imers played too far back and nudged their halves—and the passes between the forwards themselves were too hard. The defence, for a time, managed to stand up to the Newport attacks, but little support came from the forward line when the defence did clear. Eventually, six more goals were conceded in rapid succession. In reply, College managed to score

once, after many opportunities had been thrown away, and so, at the end, the score was 2—9.

NOTE.—The Editorial Staff wish to apologise for the omission from last week's number of "Wessex News," of the account of the Women's Hockey match against University College, Exeter.

NETBALL.

Wednesday.
University College 9, Grammar School 11.

Saturday.
University College 8, St. Annes 18.

Both games this week have been unsatisfactory; the centre court play was, on the whole, ragged and unfinished—probably due to the absence of our usual centre—and the shooting much less accurate than last week. But this was not the fault of the individual shooters: on Wednesday, College played on a strange ground, in the late afternoon, and it was extremely difficult to see at all, and on Saturday, the second half was played with a lighter and softer ball than the players are accustomed to use. At half-time, the score was 9—7, but St. Anne's played hard and thoroughly deserved to win the match.

SOCCER FIXTURES.

Wednesday, December 2nd.

1st XI v. Bedales School (away)

2nd XI v. R.A.F. (Lee) (away)

Saturday, December 5th.

1st XI v. Goldsmiths (away).

Chess Club

The Hampshire League Match against Southampton last Wednesday, proved to be a disaster for the College, who lost 5—1, at least three boards losing through the most unaccountable blunders: the result, on the general run of play, ought to have been in favour of College. Next week, the College meets the Old Tauntonians in the same League.

The "C" team seems to have settled down at last; it defeated Itchen Secondary School (hitherto only once beaten this season) by 3 boards to 2. It should avenge its earlier defeat by Shirley Boys' School this week, when they meet in the first round of the Robertson Cup.

The draw for the John Lewis Challenge Cup has now been made, and the first round will be played by the end of this term.

It is desired to draw the attention of students to a notice on the board near the common-rooms, announcing an International piano-playing competition, to be held next January. The original notice, as received from the French Consulate, is there, and beside it is a very rough translation into English. It is to be hoped that the musical talents of this College will not be left lying idle when such an opportunity presents itself.

The '32 Club

In the last issue of "Wessex News," it was suggested in the Editorial that the existence of the '32 Club was but little known. Therefore, as chairman of the Club I feel that the aims of the club should be clearly stated for the benefit of those whose ideas may be hazy or possibly wrong.

This particular club was founded in 1932, a date from which the club takes its name, and since then, has been running continuously. The aims of the club are to further, in the widest sense, the interests of the College, and to afford an opportunity for social and cultural intercourse. Members of the club read papers or open discussions, and the subjects dealt with are most diverse; for example, papers and discussions have had as topics—"Music," "Bridge Building," and so on.

It may seem obscure that there is any possibility that the club can usefully further the interests of the College, although it is plain that the meetings are both social and cultural. But the membership, which is for life, includes students representing every branch of College life and, by the pooling of opinions, one is better able to appreciate the point of view of other people. Thus the natural egotism which all possess tends to give place to a broader outlook which embraces the welfare of College as a whole. Furthermore, the club encourages its aims in students since new members are only elected by the contribution they are making or can make to College life whether it be intellectual, social or athletic. The club admits no passengers. That the club can maintain its membership is a healthy sign that there continues to be a number of students who are interested in and contributing to the many activities of the College.

This club also has the advantage that both its size and also the diversity of opinions of its members prevents any possibility of it becoming a mere clique; in addition, there is a gradually increasing number of people who are maintaining their connexion with and interest in the College by virtue of the fact that they are past student members of the club.

These are the facts about the '32 club, they show the value of such a club and supply ample reason for its existence. I hope all will look forward to the possibility of membership and contribute, in their own way, their share in the development of the College.

P. G. WICKENS.

A subscription is being opened for a Memorial from the students to the late Professor Howland. As Professor Howland was Curator of the Library, it is proposed that the Memorial should take the form of a Show-Case for the Library. Would students who wish to subscribe please send their subscriptions to W. W. Coles.

Correspondence

To the Editor of the Wessex News.

Dear Sir,

May I, through your esteemed columns, say a few words on Chinese students?

Some six months ago, a number of university students in Peiping started a large-scale demonstration against the Japanese aggressive tendency which had become manifest, especially in North China. This was almost instantaneously followed by university as well as middle school students in other cities, such as Shanghai and Nanking. Their intention was to urge the government to take appropriate measures towards the existing situation. But unfortunately, they were replaced with icy cold water and substantial truncheons and muffled beats from the police forces. A number of students were badly hurt; and as a consequence, some were expelled from their colleges and several arrests were also made.

Yours, etc.,

Kei Yan Wai.

To the Editor of Wessex News.

Dear Sir,

It may interest readers of "Wessex News" to know of the response that has been made to my article on "Art and the Student" which appeared in your issue of the 17th November. A generous friend of the College has sent me £5, and the staff and students in several of the Arts Departments are subscribing to buy Medici prints to hang in their lecture rooms. The Principal has authorised me to spend the gift of £5 on some good reproductions to be hung, for the present, in the Committee Room. I shall be glad to receive subscriptions from anyone who is interested in the scheme, and I hope that, in this way, we shall be able to build up a good collection of reproductions of works of ancient and modern painters.

Some members of the staff have been discussing with me the possibility of holding, in the Summer term, a small exhibition of original paintings and drawings by members of the College. I should be glad to hear from any members of the student body who would be interested in an exhibition of this kind.

May I use your columns at the same time, to support the appeal made by Dr. Lawton in your issue of the 24th, for contributions to "Wessex"? I consider that it is most important that our annual magazine should be thoroughly representative of College life and opinion, and I am particularly anxious to receive literary contributions from students. They should reach me not later than the end of the Spring term. Dr. Lawton would also be glad to receive drawings or photographs suitable for reproduction.

Yours truly,

V. de S. Pinto.

To the Editor of Wessex News.

Dear Sir,

I wish to express my gratitude to all those who helped in the production of "Distinguished Gathering." The excellent team spirit of the cast and the "ever-readies" behind the scenes, made the task of production very pleasant. Unfortunately, on Friday night, the insulting attitude of a small section of those present (about half-a-dozen) upset the cast and disrupted the rest of the audience, including several "outsiders." There were several occasions when the "boisterousness" of the students was excusable, but a small mixed group tried to impress their friends by their 'smart' gibes and inept giggles at the efforts of their fellow students. In doing so, they revealed to the rest of Coll., their own ignorance and mental deficiency or rather, reminded us of it.

This is not the first time they have tried to ruin Coll. productions, but I hope it will be the last.

Yours sincerely,

D. B. Barker,
Pres. Slage Soc. & Producer.

To the Editor of Wessex News.

Dear Sir,

I should like, through the medium of your columns, to suggest an improvement in the method by which the sale of this paper is effected.

Some of us write the paper, some of us publish the paper, but we all have the paper thrust upon us. I am not grumbling; my worthy paper already maintains too high a percentage of grumbles week by week—I am merely making a request. We are interested in the proceedings of the past week. Most of us are keen to read the sports reports—although the results of these echo continually round the Common Rooms every Monday and Thursday mornings—but we are made to feel like Income-tax evaders if we do not buy the *printed* news.

I implore you—I beg of you, yea, I beseech you, not to let our tranquil day-dreams, as we saunter down the corridors at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays, be rudely shattered by hordes of fair news-vendors, flag-waving these sheets in front of our noses.

We buy gladly, but let us buy in peace.

Yours,

Vox Multitudinis.

P.S. I admit I have exaggerated in this letter, but I have learned from politics that gross exaggeration seems to have more effect in the right direction than simple truth.

Does Eldridge realise that the knitting, in evidence at the German debate on Tuesday, was not a sign of Highfield's mental dexterity, but merely an effort to comply with the regulations of the B. of E.?

Students are requested to note that, once a week, news of College happenings of all kinds appears in the "Southern Daily Echo."

Calendar

Members of the general public interested in any particular activity are invited to communicate with the Deputy Registrar, University College, Southampton.

In most cases an invitation will be gladly extended to interested persons, but in certain cases membership of the particular Society is essential.

Tuesday, December 1st.

1.20 p.m. Room 2. Anglican Society.

6.0 p.m. Music Studio. Choral Society. Rehearsal and AUDITIONS. H.M.S. Pinafore. All welcome.

Wednesday, Dec. 2nd.

7.30 p.m. Production Engineers Committee Meeting.

Thursday, Dec. 3rd.

You must not miss the N.U.S. film, "International Student Week in Budapest" on Thursday, December 3rd, 1.20 p.m. in the Assembly Hall.

1.20 p.m. Room 21. Christian Union: Bible Study. All welcome.

Geographical Society. Visit to S.S. Winchester Castle.

8.0 p.m. 8th Lecture of a series of Ten University Extension Lectures on Modern English Writers. "Seigfried Sassoon: Poetry and Autobiography" by Professor V. de S. Pinto, of U.C.S. Tickets obtainable from the Secretary for Extra-Mural Studies.

Friday, Dec. 4th.

5.30 p.m. Biological Society.

"The Brine Shirup-Artemia Salina" by J. H. Lockhead.

5.30 p.m. English Association. Annual General Meeting.

"Rhyme and Alliteration" by Mr. F. W. Bateson, M.A., B.Litt., Editor of the Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature.

7.0 p.m. College Scout Troop. First Meeting.

8.15 p.m. Methodist Verein.

Saturday, Dec. 5th.

Chamber Music Club. SOUTH STONEHAM ENTERTAINMENT.

Sunday, Dec. 6th.

9.45 a.m. Collegiate Service at St. Mary's South Stoneham. Preacher: The Rev. P. Kennedy M.A., of St. Mary's, Southampton.

Monday, Dec. 7th.

1.20 p.m. Gramophone Club. Room 31. Mr. M. Baritz will lecture on "Tiszt". All invited.

"People who fidget and play with table mats as dinner (for the destruction of the mats) are quite noticeable and will be asked to pay for those they have broken"—Highfield Notice Board. Connaught and Stoneham, please copy.

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